

# LICENSING PANEL

Friday, 22 September 2017

Present:

Councillors	C Meaden	A Hodson
	P Stuart	D Burgess-Joyce

Apologies:

Councillors	W J Davies
	R Abbey
	D Mitchell

**Councillor P Stuart in the Chair.**

**47 MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members of the Panel were asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non pecuniary interests in connection with any application on the agenda and state the nature of the interest.

No such declarations were made.

**48 EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**Resolved - That, under section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act.**

**49 PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER COMPLAINTS - NH**

The Managing Director for Delivery submitted a report for Members to consider whether Mr NH should be allowed to continue to hold his Private Hire Driver Licence.

Mr NH attended the meeting and made representations in respect of the complaints made against him.

Members gave due consideration to Mr NH's representations, deliberated at length and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits.

**Resolved –**

- (1) That Mr NH be allowed to continue to hold his Private Hire Driver Licence.**
- (2) That Mr NH be issued with a written warning as to his future conduct.**

50 **PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER COMPLAINT - SMKM**

The Managing Director for Delivery submitted a report for Members to consider whether Mr SMKM should be allowed to continue to hold his Private Hire Driver Licence.

Mr SMKM attended the meeting and made representations in respect of the complaint made against him.

Members had regard to the representations made by Mr SMKM, however it was considered that Mr SMKM had not been remotely contrite and did not realise the severity of the complaint.

**Resolved - That Mr SMKM's Private Hire Driver Licence be revoked with immediate effect.**

51 **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR - PART 2 - PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER COMPLAINT (DSH)**

The Managing Director for Delivery submitted a report for Members to consider whether Mr DSH should be allowed to continue to hold his Private Hire Driver Licence.

Mr DSH attended the meeting and made representations in respect of the complaint made against him.

Members gave due consideration to Mr DSH's representations, deliberated at length and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits. Members accepted Mr DH's account of the complaint made against him.

**Resolved – That Mr DSH be allowed to continue to hold his Private Hire Driver Licence.**

47 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

In the absence of the Chair, it was –

**Resolved – That Councillor P Stuart be appointed Chair for this meeting.**

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No such declarations were made.

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items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The Public Interest Test had been applied and favoured exclusion.

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Mr NH attended the meeting and made representations in respect of the complaints made against him.

Members gave due consideration to Mr NH's representations, deliberated at length and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits.

**Resolved –**

**(1) That Mr NH be allowed to continue to hold his Private Hire Driver Licence.**

**(2) That Mr NH be issued with a written warning from the Licensing Panel as to his future conduct.**

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Mr SMKM attended the meeting and made representations in respect of the complaint made against him.

Members had regard to the representations made by Mr SMKM, however it was considered that Mr SMKM did not recognise the severity of the complaint made against him and the implications of his behaviour as a Private Hire Driver.

**Resolved - That Mr SMKM's Private Hire Driver Licence be revoked with immediate effect.**

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Members gave due consideration to Mr DSH's representations, deliberated at length and exercised their rights to consider each case on its individual merits. Members accepted Mr DSH's account of the complaint made against him.

**Resolved – That Mr DSH be allowed to continue to hold his Private Hire Driver Licence.**